## STRANGE CASE OF CARL HAU TOLD BY COURT RECORDS

Former George Washington University Professor Now in German Prison, Convicted of Having Shot and Killed His Mother-in-law, Frau Molitor.

On November 8, 1906, the press of this tween Turkey and the United States concerning the country contained the startling news that Ambassador I would probably have been successful Presiding Judge-You are said to have lived very Carl Hau, one of the professors of George Washington University and a member of the bar of the District of Columbia, had been arrested at the Hotel Cecil, in London, the night before on the charge of having murdered his mother-in-law, Frau Molitor, in Baden-Baden, Germany, on the evening of November 6. It developed that Frau Molitor had left her residence in Baden-Baden shortly after 5 o'clock and had started for the post-office, accompanied by her daughter, Olga. While the bar of the District of Columbia, had companied by her daughter, Olga. While passing through a quiet street about half way between her residence and the postoffice she was suddenly shot from behind and instantly killed. The shot was fired so close that her clothing was burned by the powder. It was ascertained that Mr. Hau had been in Baden-Baden on the day the murder occurred, and the English authorities were requested to arrest and hold him awaiting the arrival of extradi-

Mr. Hau had spent almost the entire summer of 1906 in Constantinople, engaged in important business matters, his wife remaining at the home of her mother Baden-Baden. In October Mr. Hau left Constantinople and went to Baden-Baden, where he joined his wife. After a few days' stay at Frau Molitor's home he, accompanied by his wife and sisterin-law Olga, went to Parls, intending to
remain there about eight days. During
their absence Frau Molitor received a
telegram, signed "Lena Molitor," urging
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the remain there are a morning to a morning to the come of the companies of the c her to come to Paris at once, as her daughter Olga was quite ill. Accompanied by her daughter Fannie and the lit-tle daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hau, who had been left with her grandmother, she started for Paris, arriving there early the next morning. When they reached the hotel where Mr. and Mrs. Hau and Miss Molitor were stopping they found them all well, and not one of them could account for the mysterious telegram. Frau Molitor and her two daughters, annie and Olga, left for their home in Baden-Baden almost immediately, and Mr. and Mrs. Hau, with the child and her governess, left the next day for Lon-

en route to America. Upon investigation the fact was brought out that Mr. Hau had left London on November 2 for the continent, informing his wife that it was necessary for him to return there on business.

After being held in London for seven

weeks he was finally extradited and taken to Carlsruhe, Germany, and held for trial. Investigations were carried on by the inquiring judge, and the date for his trial was finally set for July 17, 1907. As only the most meager details of the trial were printed in the press in this Dover country, it is intended to give here a synopsis of the proceedings of the trial This is the first authentic report of the ican newspaper and was obtained from Mr. H. Ralph Burton, of this city, Mr. Hau's attorney in America.

## FIRST DAY OF THE TRIAL.

Carlsruhe, province of Baden, Germany, pacity, people having begun to assemble audience was composed almost entirely of director. The prosecution was represented by District Attorney Dr. Bleicher and formerly provincial court counselor, now

ters-in-law of the accused. Olga and Fanthe victim of the crime. There was on exhibit the revolver used and the clothes which the murdered woman had worn at Shortly before the opening of the cou

Mr. Hau was brought in. He was well dressed, and although he looked careworn, he was apparently bearing up magnificently under the strain.

After the ceremony of opening court ing killed his mother-in-law, Mrs. Joseph Molitor, during the afternoon of the 6th of November, 1906, between the hours of n Baden-Baden, Germany,

Mr. Hau stated that he was born on the 3d of February, 1881, at Great Littgen, and that he had never been guilty of any offense. The judge then proceeded with Presiding Judge (to defendant)—Did you commit he deed with which you are charged? Defendant (with a firm voice)—No. Presiding Judge—You were at Baden-Baden at the

Presiding Judge-Why did you make that trip

um for consumptives and later to the Rivier

Presiding Judge—In Corsica you became acquaint-ed with Mrs. Molitor and her daughter. How old were you then? How did you manage to become so closely acquainted with Miss Lena Molitor and

the other ladies?

Defendant—I refuse to answer.

Presiding Judge—I would like to call your attention to the fact that your refusal to make a statement in so grave a matter as this shall be well considered. You afterward had some correspondence with Miss Lena Molitor. Was that of a passionate

Defendant—I expected to have success in the Na-tional Capital of the United States. Presiding Judge-Did you study law in Wash

Defendant—I would probably never have had such opportunities had I not been in America before. Presiding Judge—You seem to have over-Americanized the Americans. They are known to be always careful and prudent. From Constantinople you went to Vienna; from there to Frankfort, and from there to Baden-Baden. You had at that time about 5,000 or 9,000 marks, which was for a man of your caliber very little. Had that been all the money you had on arrival in Washington those business ventures would have been looked upon as fallness ventures would have been looked upon as fail-

nes, would they not?

Defendant—Not at all. I would have taken up my law practice at once.

Presiding Judge-In Baden-Baden you lived with your mother-in-law. Were you on intimate terms with Miss Olga Molitor?

Defendant-I refuse to answer.

Presiding Judge-Was you wife jealous of Miss Olga!

Defendant—I refuse to answer.

Presiding Judge—You went to Paris with your and Miss Olga?

Defendant-I refuse to answer.

Presiding Judge—The experts believe that the telegram was sent by you. You refuse to answer and

simply refuse a statement.

Presiding Judge-Have you had disputes with you iffe owing to jealousy? Did not your relations will liss Olga appear to her as being a little too inti

many with her two daughters and you went to Lon-don with your wife. You telegraphed to your own address calling you back to the continent?

address calling you back to the continent?

Defendant (hesitating)—Yes.

Presiding Judge—You showed your wife the forged telegram in order that you might once more return to the continent. What were your plans?

Defendant—I had something in mind that I could

Detendant—i and something as units to tell my wife.

Presiding Judge—What was it?

Defendant—I cannot tell you.

Presiding Judge—Furthermore, you equipped your self with a wig and false beard. ing Judge-What did you do

Presiding Judge-You then went to Frankfort

What did you do there?

Defendant—I went to see some acquaintance
Presiding Judge—That was on Saturday.
did you do on Sunday?

Defendant—I went to Linz.

Presiding Judge-On Monday, the day before the crime, you went back to Frankfort. There you procured from a barber snother false beard and also purchased a cloak and hat. Thus equipped, you went the next day to Carlsrube in a first-class coach 5th of November. What did you want there? Did! you want to meet your sister-in-law, Olga? Defendant—I refuse to answer.

pacity, people having begun to assemble in front of the courthouse at a very early hour of the morning, seeking admission. A detachment of police had been detailed there, however, with instructions to permit only those persons to enter who had admission cards. The courtroom was was dark and gloomy and the greater part of it had been reserved for those who were to take part in the trial. It was particularly to be noticed that the way have stated at Mrs. Molitor, which resulted in her immediate death. The perpetrator ran away.

Defendant-I threw the heard and cloak out of the

Defendant—Yes.

Presiding Judge—We have now taken up all the points. First, why did you go to Baden-Baden after telling your wife you were going elsewhere? Second, what did you do in Baden-Baden during the time

Defendant—They did not give me permission to speak to my wife alone. If they had, everything would have been different. The district attorney refused to permit such an interview, and I was allowed to talk to her only in the presence of fallors. Presiding Judge—They must have had reasons

excitement.)
Attorney for Defense-Did you have a revolver in Defendant. The only revolver I had which I have

Testimony of Miss Olga Molitor.

Defendant—Yes, and finally became a lecturer and assistant professor in George Washington University, I was also admitted to the bar. I made a specialty of international private law and was very successful Presiding Judge—You went to Turkey in 1995, did you net.

Defendant—I was secretary to Consul General Schoenfeld at Constantinople. He was negotiating with Turkey with regard to the World's Fair at St. Louis.

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Presiding Judge—Who took it to the telegraph of Miss Olga Molitor.

Amid great excitement Miss Olga Molitor.

Amid special privation of the stand. She is the stand. She is the stand step of very low voice. She stated that her age was willing to testify and that her age was willing to testify and that her age was twenty-six. She said that on the 6th of November she had been invited to the bouse of a friand, and about

running away. Witness stated that the only thing she noticed was a flowing cloak, and that she saw nothing of the murderer because she did not turn

The witness made her statement in a obbing voice.

und. People immediately began to as-

Presiding Judge-Did you suspect Hau? Witness-I had no suspicion. Presiding Judge-Did you not later of

Witness-I did not personally.

Presiding Judge-Did Hau not try to have an in-erview with you and did he not try to kill you?

Witness-I have no reason to believe such a thing. Presiding Judge-Have you had intimate relation

ther was hit by mistake. Was your sister Lena t jealous of you?

Witness—Never.
Presiding Judge—A mysterious telegram was sent
o Mrs. Molitor, in which she was requested to come
o Paris, stating that you were ill. What did Mrs. Hau say to that? Witness—It was a mystery to her. She thought some one wanted to entice her mother away from zer home in order to break into the house.

Presiding Judge—Is it not possible that Mrs. Hau

Presiding Judge—Is it not possible that Mrs. He sent that telegram?

Witness—That is entirely out of the question.

Presiding Judge—Did you notice at any time
Paris that your sister was jealous of you?

Witness—I saw her sitting at the window on deep in thought and with a very sad expression her face. Later on I understood that she was wunderner in Paris.

Presiding Judge—Mrs. Hau loved her hu nuch did she not? Witness—Intensity

Witness-We were very intimate. She intr o me the care of her child, whose godmother I am.
Attorney for Defense-Were there any other perons in the vicinity at the time of the crime?
Wifness-Oh, yes! I saw two well-dressed men, and

Presiding Judge-You have stated elsewhere Witness-I so stated, but considering the swi with which the man moved, it was utterly impo

Attorney for Defense-You are understood to Presiding Judge-Was your mother perhaps

erable echo. I am sure there was only one shot fired.
Attorney for Defense-Wieland, the servant of Mrs.
Molitor, is supposed to have spoken in a very ugl;

Presiding Judge (to the defendant)—You left an impression to-day in your testimony that your relations with your sister-in-law Olga had caused you to deceive your wife regarding your trip to the continent. What have you to say in regard to the testiment.

Defendant-I do not dispute it in the least

witness—She was very affectionate toward my sister and kind to Mr. Hau, especially when she saw that he was getting along so well. Lately she spoke very highly of Hau. very highly of Hau.

Presiding Judge—Did you believe the stories of Hau's scheme in Constantinople?

Witness—I did believe them all.

Presiding Judge—Hau seems to have been very extravagant. He always went to first-class hotels and

## SECOND DAY OF THE TRIAL.

Witness went from Paris to London with the family, from whence Hau returned to the continent. Hau had forbidden that they give any one his address, although he permitted Mrs. Hau to write to her mother. He requested her, however, not to leave the house. On the 6th of November, late in the evening, a telegram was received stating that an acci-

dent had happened to Mrs. Molitor. Mrs. Hau was terified and thought it was a ruse on the part of Hau's business enemies in order to find out his address. Hau returned on the evening of November 7 and was almost immediately arrested during the momentary absence of his wife.

Presiding Judge—Do you believe that Mrs. Hau sent the Paris telegram?

Witness—No. It was inexplicable to her, although she was anxious, when in Paris that Miss Olga should be called back to Baden-Baden. She was very jealous of her sister, and told her jushand of

should be called back to backet-backet. She was very jealous of her sister, and told her husband of this. She said that she wished something would happen to call Miss Olga back. District Attorney—What did Hau tell his wife in London as to his whereabouts at the time the crime

was committed?

Witness—Mrs. Hau told me that he had been in Wiesbaden.

Attorney for Defense—Did not Mrs. Hau say at one time that she could not afford to leave Miss Olga and Mr. Hau by themselves.

Witness—Yes; she was afraid to leave them alone

Attorney for Defense—Did Hau permit his wife to make known his return to the continent?

Witness—Yes; she was allowed to write her mother about it.

Attorney for Defense—On what terms was the child with the father?

Witness—The child was very fond of her father.

Attorney for Defense—Did not Hau give you the impression of heing fathered during October of impression of heing fathered during October of mpression of being fatigued during October

last year?
Witness-Oh, yes. His voice was not normal.
Attorney for Defense-Was there any considerable
talk in 1901 at the time of Hau's marriage?
Witness-Yes. They said that Miss Olga had firs

Here the French records concerning the Paris telegram were read. The telegraph operator who accepted the telegram on October 29, 1966, was unable to tell by whom the telegram was sent.

Attorney for Defense—The defendant is ready to state that he himself sent the telegram. (Tremendant servicement)

Presiding Judge-Who took it to the office?

been abnormally developed mentally, but that he was physically weak. He further stated that, in his opinion, if Hau committed the crime he did so during a period of temporary insenity. Herr Kiem, who had known Hau since early youth, testified that he considered Hau of a noble nature and a gentleman of excellent character.

Presiding Judge—What foundation have you for the excellent testimony that you give the defendant, which is the telephone to Mrs. Molitically and the state of the

who is accused of the murder?

Witness-From a companionship of three years.

I do not believe that Hau can be guilty of this crime.

ent it to the telegraph office by one of the hotel brown hat?

ted that later on she heard of this dispute from the sister when in London.

District Attorney (to defendant)—If you wanted to get rid of Miss Olga why did you not profess to take a business trip to London?

Defendant—We expected our child in Paris.

Presiding Judge—You wanted, therefore, to get Miss Olga away from Paris on account of your wife's jealousy. Why, then, did you call the mother.

wife's jealousy. Why, then, the from the from the friction was less upon the arrival of the mother.

At this point the court adjourned until Priday morning. Miss Olga Molitor and her relatives were followed to their hotel by a large crowd.

## THIRD DAY OF THE TRIAL

Merchant Mueller, a son of Mrs. Dr. Mueller, wa tiled to the stand. He had been in close companish Hau during the years from 1896 to 1990, an Witness-Yes, I have, together with my brother-in-

Witness-Yes, I have, together with my brother-in law and business partner, Neuerburg, in the bani of Schaffhausen.

District Attorney—How large a sum would you have placed at Hau's disposal last fall?

Witness-Sums up to 30,000 marks.

Attorney for Defeuse—Has the Neuenburg family a fortune of about half a million marks?

cause he would have assisted Hau without hesi

essist him with 30,000 marks in order that he coul

Merchant Neuerburg next took the stand. The witness confirmed the testimony of his brother-in-law in regard to his family having a fortune of a quarter of a million marks, and that he would have gladly assisted Hau at any time that he might have been in need of funds.

Testimony of Fannie Molitor.

At this point Miss Fannie Molitor, a daughter of the murdered woman, was called to the stand. During the extire time she was testifying the excitement in the audience was pitched to the highest tension. She accompanied her mother to Paris in compliance with a mysterious telegram, but there

setween Mrs. Hau and Miss Olga?

Witness—Yes.

Presiding Judge—Upon hearing of the crime you ame back again? Was your sister Olga very much

Witness-I heard that my sister swam out in the

Presiding Judge—What do you infer from the statement of Mrs. Hau about Oiga, so far as the crime is concerned?

Witness—What can I say?

Attorney for Defense—I understand that witness has only to testify to facts.

Presiding Judge—Will you not please leave the procedure to me?

District Attorney—Witness is said to have tried in Baden-Baden to avoid testifying.

Witness—What? There is absolutely no truth in that.

She testified that she would have been ready to give the defendant \$9.000 marks at his request.

Rector Gemmel testified that he had known Hau from his carliest youth, and that he had always been absoranally developed mentally, but that he was physically weak. He further stated that, in his

Attornex for Defense—That is exactly right.

Many Bechte, a chambermaid, who had been evaluated by Mrs. Molitor, was here called to the stand. She testified that on November 6 about 5:30

shall I call for. Postal Director Shaefer? Very well, I am coming." She then left, saying: "I have to go to the post-office."

Attorney for the Defense—Did this dispute have any relation to Miss Olga? (Hau had first reduced to make any statement in reply, but finally, amid the greatest excitement in the audience, admitted that the dispute related to Olga.)

Defendant—My wife blamed me violently concerning my relations to her sister, and claimed they were not proper.

Presiding Judge—What reply did you make?

Defendant—I denied it.

Presiding Judge—Were your relations, according to your ideas, proper?

Defendant—They were.

Presiding Judge—Was it only a phantom in the brain of your wife?

Defendant—They were.

Presiding Judge—Was it only a phantom in the brain of your wife?

Defendant—No phantom of the brain; she only construed the facts wrongly and took proper relations the proper with the proper of that the withers met in front of her own residence the two Molitor ladies. Behind them followed another man, who looked somewhat older. He was dressed in brown clothes and wore side whiskers mingled with gray. He was formed um height and walked in a stately manner. The witness recognized Hau as the dark man with

Olga about it?

Defendant—My relations to my sister-in-law were not of such a nature that I could have spoken to her frankly about the affair.

Presiding Judge—It was plainly an intrigue. Did you not tell your mother-in-law about it?

Defendant—There was no reason why she should know anything about the matter. Miss Olga admittance was the depot for the 6:15 or the 6:23 train; that the man had hired him on the Lichtenthaler was the had a slight tinge of a mustache. He testined that the man had hired him on the Lichtenthaler was the had a slight tinge of a mustache. he had driven was between thirty and forty years of

age.

Presiding Judge (to the defendant)—You were seen by a number of witnesses on the 6th of No-rember last year in the afternoon in the vicinity of

Frankfort.

Presiding Judge-Will you now testify why you were in Baden-Baden and what you did there?

Defendant—In regard to the motive of my trip from Frankfort to Baden-Baden and in regard to the

sin from Baden-Baden to Carlsrhue and thence t

efusal. (Tremendous excitement.)

FOURTH DAY OF TRIAL.

sense crowd and the courtmon itself was packed. potified of the death of his wife, and what was the

Witness-Both the district attorney and I wer resent. He was prostrated. He dropped his head ed breathed very heavily, but made no answer Attorney for Defense-Was the notification of the cath of his wife made by the district attorney in a

haritable or in a cruel manner? Han, your act has claimed another victim. Can on imagine who it is?" rney for Defense-He also said:

A witness by the name of Frank was then called to the stand. He testified that on November 6 he heard a shot a little after 6. Everything was quiet for a moment, and then he heard a sound like the crack of a whip. He found Mrs. Molitor in a heap, and before her on her knees was Olga, crying out: "My mother has been shot!" Witness immediately reported the case to the police. He met the servant, Wieland, whom he told of the event. The next day Wieland came to him and said: "You are aware, I believe, that I climbed over the fence yesterday and tore my pants in doing so." Witness, however, stated that he did not know anything about

een a tall man with an overcoat and that it has een an act of rengeance. Wieland came to thoene afterward, climbing over a fence.

Presiding Judge—Did he tear his pants in go

witness-I did not see him do s

reason for it. I cannot, however, say the san for myself.

Presiding Judge-Why did you want to see you sister-in-law again? Did you have any fondne for her?

Defendant-Yes.

Presiding Judge-Why did you disguise yourself of your trip from London to Frankfurt?

Defendant-I did not want to be recognized is Baden-Baden.

Presiding Judge-Why not?

Presiding Judge-Why not?

Defendant-I did not wish to be seen, President—I due not wish to be seen, particu-larly by my mother-in-law.

Presiding Judge—You did not have a heard in Frankfort, and you bought a new one there?

Defendant—The beard which I purchased in Lon-don consisted of several parts, and was so poor on consisted of several parts, and was at that it fell to pieces in Dover. Presiding Judge-Did you want to speak to sister-in-law? Defendant-No; I only wanted to see her. Presiding Judge-You, therefore, wandered

eve whether or not Olga was at home?

telephoned. I hurried away, throwing away my beard, got into a hack, and rode to the depot-(Great excitement). Presiding Judge-Who was it that walked behind

the ladies?

Defendant—I do not know.

Presiding Judge—Who fired the shot?

Defendant—I am unable to say.

Presiding Judge—Did you hear the shots?

Defendant—I did not hear anything.

Presiding Judge—What caused your wife to come of the conclusion that you were the murderer? Defendant—She could not believe otherwise because they would not give me an opportunity to explain matters to her.

Presiding Judge—Why have you not said any-thing about this hefore?

Defendant—I had firmly decided to say nothing

Defendant—I had firmly decided to say nothing in order not to compromise any one, and because the whole matter was very humiliating to me. Presiding Judge—How did you account for the murder and who fired the shot? Defendant—I have no knowledge about that. Presiding Judge—Your manner, however, was very peculiar; your poor disguise, &c. Defendant—My actions were not normal at that time

I am time.

Presiding Judge-Did you have any intention to Very kill your sister-in-law and then yourself?

I have Defendant—Not in the least.

Presiding Judge-Why did you permit your wife to commit suicide?

Defendant—I did everything to prevent my wife from taking that step. They did not allow me to under-when the News me only several and even my atterney did not want to transmit any letters to her.

transmit any letters to her.

Attorney for the Defense—He gave me only sealed letters which I had no right to transmit.

Defendant—I did not want to confide in any one, not even my lawyer, as I had firmly concluded to remain silent.

Presiding Judge—There is a terrible suspicion against you, and your actions are at least very peculiar. eculiar. Defendant—I admit that I am placed in a ver

difficult situation. My actions seem suspicio they were not normal on that day.

Fresiding Judge-But it is very singular terrible murder happened just on the day the went to Baden-Baden? Witness-I admit that it is extremely suspice District Attorney-Why did you not telephone

the same to me, and you may conduct your defense accordingly."

Lenk here stated that the testimony which Hau had given did not contain the most important facts. Defendant—If I told Lenk anything more important Id on not know what is is.

The witness insisted that Hau must remember what he told him, but refused to state what it was. Olga Molltor was here again called to the sand. She seemed excited and was very pale. She stated that she knew pothing about Hau's reasons for his being in Baden-Baden.

Presiding Judge—Did you know that he was there?

iding Judge-Did you know that he was there Witness-Yes.
Presiding Judge-If he had told you then that

on were the cause of his coming back, how would cu have felt and what would you have said?

Witness (after hesitating somewhat)—I would have old him that he should go back to his wife.

Presiding Judge—What about the figure which fled rom the scene of the murder?

Witness—I heard story behind me, and then I

Witness—I am unable to say.

Presiding Judge—Did the fleeing form resemble our servant Wieland?

Witness—No.

ead, all of which gave Hau a most excellent char-

then adjourned until Monday.

Witness-Yes certainly my employer showed it district attorney where I was in order that I might Her mail was confiscated, opened, and appear in court.

r is crazy; one is not allowed to clean up, al-

Witness—A title after 5.35, 1 put the baggage on the train and went away.

Presiding Judge—How were you dressed?

Witness—A blue coat, livery with yellow buttons, and a servant's cap.

Presiding Judge—Where did you go then?

Witness—I went up Emperor William street and noticed a crowd, I asked what the matter was and they told up Mrs. Molitor, had been shot.

Presiding Judge-Was he particularly harsh or un

Presiding Judge-Did you have anything to do Presiding Judge-Did you hide yourself on purpos

ith this murder, either directly or indirectly Witness—No.

Presiding Judge—Did you have any idea of rerenge against Mrs. Molitor?

Witness—None.

Presiding Judge (to the defendant)—Do you conider the servant Wieland the perpetrator?

Defendant—No.

ter ladies there was waking all coars, as the solid gentleman? It seems to me that investigations should have been made. Who has searched for the other two gentlemen who were observed?

Police Commissary Beringer stated that there had its business and personal habits, and personal habits, and personal habits.

torney for the defense that there could have been no monetary motive on his part.

Presiding Judge (to defendant)—How is it that you did not state the purpose of your trip to Baden-Baden until Saturday, and kept silent until that time, even after the death of your wife?

Defendant—I was afraid that complications might result from my testimony. After the death of my wife I had intended to give it all and to call

presiding Judge-On me?

Defendant-Yes.

Defendant-I was afraid that I might be mism-

Presiding Judge-And now?

Defendant-The affair with Lenk and the exhaustion on the fourth day forced me to make that statement.

Presiding Judge—Is it entirely out of the question that Miss Olga had anything to do with the act?

Defendant—It is positively out of the question.

Presiding Judge—Did you see Miss Olga that afternoon?

Presiding Judge-Not even that an unfortunate

Witness-No.
Presiding Judge (to Hau)—Have you anything to ay against Miss Olga?
Defendant—No.

Presiding Judge-Have you any other remark to The district attorney and the attorney for the prosecution then addressed the jury.

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Presiding Judge (to defendant)—Have you anything to say?

Defendant (with a firm voice)—No.

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The jury thereupon retired, and after an hour's
deliberation announced that they found the defendant guilty of killing Mrs. Molitor and that he had
acted with deliberation. The jury stood seven to
five. The district attorney asked that the judgment
be announced. After a short deliberation the presiding judge announced: "The defendant Hau is
herewith condemned to death for the murder of
Mrs. Molitor, and the defendant must bear the
expenses of the trial." xpenses of the trial."

Presiding Judge (to Hau)—Have you anything else

Dr. Dietz later moved for a new trial, which was denied, but the sentence of death against Carl Hau was commuted to life imprisonment. He is now confined in Bruchsal, Germany.

H. Ralph Burton, Hau's Attorney,

Gives His Views,

REVIEW OF THE CASE.

In an interview with Mr. H. Ralph Burton, Mr. Hau's attorney, Mr. Burton time that Mr. Hau was in Baden-Baden, was one of those inexplicable coincidences which so often occur. There is nothing at all of the evidence presented which shows that he was in connected with the murder of Mrs. Molitor or that he had any reason to be. The law reports are full of stranger cases than this one; cases where the circumstantial evidence was far more convinc

"In establishing the guilt of a person ing to show that Hau was not insane. The court charged with murder, motive is one of ther adjourned until Monday.

The carriage in which Miss Olga and her relatives role to the hotel was under police guard, and was followed by a threatening mob. After they reached the hotel, the mob began to throw stones at the doors and windows, and viid not cease until the arrival of additional collection. In spite of the stantial evidence. In the trial of Carl ce the mob remained about the hotel until mid- Hau the prosecution failed entirely colitor fam-ight as the as to his would still do so. Therefore there could have been no monetary motive. Mrs. Hau was hounded by the officials, and her family, in an endeavor to force her dence clearly shows that he made every effort to prevent her from taking her own as in all justice he should have been.

> ticular case overlooked and apparently "Before he left London Mr. Hau gave that he had to return to the Continent. ntention of murdering her? Would he have disguised himself in such a way as to be conspicuous? A man of the smallest intelligence would not have gone about it in such a bungling, careless manner, and we have in Carl Hau not a man highest intellectual attainments, and an able lawyer. This should convince any one that he had no intention of committinent. When you consider this, together with the lack of motive and the entire absence of any direct evidence of his con-nection with the crime, it is hard to be-

upon at length, but no relation whatever was established between it and the crime in question, Mr. Hau gave Mis reason for sending the telegram, which, in view of all the circumstances, was-sound and commendable.

"The testimony of Olga Molitor was lit-tle else than farcical. She was never cross-questioned, and she was never asked to explain the inconsistencies in her testimony. She stated first that the only thing she noticed when her mother was shot was a flowing cloak, and that she saw nothing of the murderer because she did not turn around. A little later she admitted having stated that she thought that the perpetrator might have been Mr. Hau on account of his stature, but that considering the swiftness with which the man moved it was utterly impossible to determine the exact height. How could she determine anything regarding the stature of the murderer if she had moments later she was asked if one of the male servants of Mrs. Molitor could have been the murderer, and she re-plied that they could not have been because they were all too short. First, she saw only a flowing cloak; second, she could not determine the exact stature because the murderer fled so swiftly, and here she stated that it could not have been a male servant of Mrs. Which statement should be believed? timony of the witness agreed with that of the defendant carety. The witness stated that she then met the Molitor ladies, and as she entered her house the clock struck 6. Walking behind the ladies she saw a man who was shorter than the defendant and it was easy to see that he was foleral appearance.

"Throughout the trial the attitude of lack of motive or evidence. No courtesy Police Commissary Bernger stated that there had been no search made for these two men because Miss Olga had not seen them, and nothing had been heard about them.

Letters were then introduced in evidence which tended to show that Mrs. Hau had complained bitterly about the way she had been treated by the so-called 'trial' cannot but win the

bitterly about the way she had been treated by the officials. She also complained about all of her mail having been confiscated. One of the letters read stated that Mrs. Molitor was entirely controlled by Olga and that Olga had to be handled with glores because she was completely in-